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INDICATED PRODUCTION OF CORN AS OF AUGUST 15 FOR 14 STATES, WITH COMPARISONS.

The Crop Reporting Board of the U. S. Department of Agriculture makes the following special mid-month report on corn production for 14 States from data furnished by crop correspondents, field statisticians, and cooperating State agencies.

CORN(ALL)

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	:	: Indicated					
State	:	Average	:	1940	:,	Aug. 1	: Aug. 15
	:	1950-39	_ :		<u>:</u>	1941	: 1941
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Pennsylvania		53,662		53,640		54,642	53,341
Ohio		139,956		120,750		159,343	152,844
Indiana		160,373		145,669		181,102	157,480
Illinois		321,945		332,244		373,723	369,910
Mich_gan		47,868		49,856		55,907	46,841
Wiscensin		74,644		93,582		92,628	87,048
Minnesota		143,410	•	172,457		170,886	177,632
Iowa		399,184		460,581		474,292	437,808
Missouri ·		107,141		119,280		114,144	102,336
North Dakota		16,368		24,480		22,840	22,840
South Dakota		41,768		50,112		45,936	41,760
Nebraska		133,822		106,913		126,360	116,640
Kansas		59,550		41,028		47,120	49,476
Kentucky		64,557_		70,400		78,848	73,216
_ 14_States		1,764,248	 	1,840,992		1,997,776	1,889,172
United States		2,307,452		2,449,200		2,587,574	

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The Crop Reporting Board of the United States Department of Agriculture has prepared the following August 15 report on probable production of corn in the 12 North Central or Corn Belt States, Kentucky and Pennsylvania. On the average about three-fourths of the Nation's total corn crop is produced in these 14 States.

The indicated production of corn in the 14 States as of August 15 is 1,889,172,000 bushels compared with the August 1 estimate of 1,997,776,000 bushels. This 109 million bushel drop in production prospects is the result of the dry, hot weather which was prevailing over much of the area on August 1 and which continued through almost the first two weeks of the month. Temperatures moderated on the 12th but general rains did not occur until several days later. Even now some sections in this area are still very dry. In spite of the decline of 5 percent in production prospects since August 1 the August 15 prospects indicate a crop still larger by 3 percent than the 1940 production in these 14 States and about 7 percent higher than the average of the previous 10 years (1930-39).

Largest decreases in production prospects between August 1 and August 15 occurred in Michigan and Indiana where conditions have been driest. The estimated production as of August 15 was 16 percent lower than on August 1, in Michigan and 13 percent lower in Indiana. With the exception of Kansas and Minnesota where prospects actually improved and North Dakota where August 15 prospects were the same as on August 1, the remaining 8 States also suffered damag but not to the same extent as in Indiana and Michigan.